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Palo Alto Planning and Transportation Commission  
250 Hamilton Ave.  
Palo Alto, CA 94301

Dear Chair Lauing and Commissioners,

Re: 3703-09 El Camino Real (Wilton Avenue) Rezoning

The League of Women Voters of Palo Alto (LWVPA) applauds the City's adoption of the Affordable Housing Combining District which will encourage the development of subsidized low to moderate income housing along high quality transit corridors.

We encourage you to recommend the rezoning of the CN (neighborhood commercial) site at 3703-09 El Camino Real at Wilton Avenue to CN(AH) i.e., to apply the Affordable Housing Combining District, to allow for the development of a much needed affordable housing project.

The 100% affordable housing project that would benefit from this rezone is an excellent one. This site is on a high quality transit corridor and it meets all the other requirements of the Affordable Housing Combining District.

Most importantly, the project will provide 65 small low-income units – 25% for developmentally disabled adults and the rest for low-income persons. The site is not directly adjacent to single-family homes and is near many services for the residents.

Since the proposal before you is unequivocally in accordance with the Zoning Ordinance and the Comprehensive Plan, we urge you to recommend approval of this rezone tonight. It is the right thing for you to do.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Aisha Piracha-Zakariya". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Aisha Piracha-Zakariya  
President, League of Women Voters of Palo Alto